

Connect Group Discussion Guide

- It is amazing that so many people reject a God that loves them so much. Whenever we reject God, it isn't something about God, but something about us. What do you think it is saying about a Christian who rejects God?
- 2. One of the questions we are wrestling with in our mind today is, "What is true discipleship?" How would you answer that question?
- 3. Read the John verses. Nicodemus was impressed by Jesus, concerned about Him and He honored him. Is that true discipleship? If not, what do you think it is?
- 4. The Romans and Matthew verses give some perspective on how to answer the discipleship question. Discipleship is:
 - Personal initiation with Jesus (confession)
 - Public declaration about Jesus (lifestyle and symbol baptism)
 - Self-denial (not about your own will, but His will)
 - Cross lifting (carry His burden, His mission and His purpose)
 - Following (Christ directing you)

How do these show up in the lives of believers?

5. Jesus called the disciples from all their different occupations and thoughts. He called them to submit their occupations and thoughts to Him. Jesus was the unifier! People unify under all sorts of different ideas in this world (worship styles, political parties and candidates, mask or no mask, vaccination or not), but true discipleship is identifying as belonging to and following Jesus. What does following Jesus look like to you?

NOTE: CGL, listen actively and carefully to what is being said during the times when participants share. Let their responses guide how you tailor your interactions and studies with the group during the session.

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Main Idea

One of the questions Christians wrestle with in their minds today is, "What is true discipleship?" It is more than being impressed with Jesus.

Key Scripture Reference(s)

Read aloud: John 3:1-10 John 7:46-52 John 19:38-39 Romans 10:9 Matthew 10:32-33 Matthew 16:24

Your Faith in Action

What steps will you take this week to **show** others what you believe (in words, and in deeds)?

Mon:
Tue:
Wed:
Thu:
Fri:
Sat:
Sun:

This is a constant element, so you can practically live out your faith everyday.